

This Scene I have often considered as a Lesson, instructing me, that a Load of Riches bring, instead of Felicity, a Load of Troubles; and that the only Source of Happiness is *Contentment*. Go, therefore, you who have too much, and give it to those who are in Want; so shall you be happy yourselves, by making others happy. This is a Precept from the Almighty, a Precept which must be regarded; for *The Lord is about your Paths, and about your Bed, and spieth out all your Ways.*

*An Anecdote, respecting TOM TWO-SHOES, communicated by a Gentleman, who is now writing the History of his Life.*

IT is generally known, that *Tom Two-Shoes* went to Sea, when he was a very little Boy, and very poor; and that he returned a very great Man, and very rich; but no one knows how he acquired so much Wealth but myself, and a few Friends,

Friends, who have perused the Papers from which I am compiling the History of his Life.

After *Tom* had been at Sea some Years, he was unfortunately cast away, on that Part of the Coast of *Africa* inhabited by the *Hottentots*. Here he met with a strange Book, which the *Hottentots* did not understand, and which gave him some Account of *Prester John's* Country; and being a Lad of great Curiosity and Resolution, he determined to see it; accordingly he set out on the Pursuit, attended by a young Lion, which he had tamed, and made so fond of him, that he followed him like a Dog, and obeyed all his Commands; and indeed it was happy for him that he had such a Companion; for as his Road lay through large Woods and Forests, that were full of wild Beasts, and without Inhabitants, he must have been soon starved or torn in Pieces, had he not been both fed and protected by this noble Animal.

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Tom